IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (original) A resistance temperature detector suitable for detecting temperatures between windings of an electrical machine, each winding including a conductor at least partially surrounded by a winding insulating system having a predetermined capacitance per unit area, the detector comprising:

a resistive element configured to receive an input signal and to produce an output signal that is a function of temperature;

a detector insulating system disposed about and completely encasing the resistive element, the detector insulating system having a capacitance per unit area approximately equal to or greater than the capacitance per unit area of the winding insulating system.

- 2. (original) The resistance temperature detector of claim 1, wherein individual materials comprising the winding insulating system and the detector insulating system have dielectric constants between approximately 3 and 6.
- 3. (original) The resistance temperature detector of claim 1, wherein the detector insulating system includes a plurality of layers of a flexible insulating material and a plurality of layers of an adhesive disposed between the layers of flexible insulating material.
- 4. (original) The resistance temperature detector of claim 3, wherein the flexible insulating material comprises polyimide, polyester, polyamide-imide, polyetheretherketone, polysulfone or polyphenylene sulfide.

- 5. (original) The resistance temperature detector of claim 3, wherein the adhesive is selected from the group consisting of acrylic, epoxy, silicone, polyester, and polyurethane adhesive systems.
- 6. (original) A resistance temperature detector suitable for detecting temperatures between windings of an electrical machine, the detector comprising:

a resistive element configured to receive a measurement signal and to produce an output signal that is a function of temperature;

a detector insulating system disposed about and completely encasing the resistive element, the detector insulating system having a capacitance per unit area of sufficient magnitude that a voltage stress level experienced by any air voids or low dielectric materials adjacent to the resistive element resulting from voltage applied to the windings during operation is below a stress level that would cause partial discharge in such voids and materials.

- 7. (original) The resistance temperature detector of claim 6, wherein partial discharge in the air voids occurs at a breakdown voltage predicted by Paschen's Law.
- 8. (original) The resistance temperature detector of claim 6, wherein the voltage stress level that would cause partial discharge is a function of temperature of the air voids or low dielectric materials.
- 9. (original) The resistance temperature detector of claim 6, wherein individual materials comprising a winding insulating system and the detector insulating system have dielectric constants between approximately 3 and 6.
- 10. (original) The resistance temperature detector of claim 6, wherein the detector insulating system includes a plurality of layers of a flexible insulating material and

a plurality of layers of an adhesive disposed between the layers of flexible insulating material.

- 11. (original) The resistance temperature detector of claim 10, wherein the flexible insulating material comprises a polyimide, polyester, polyamide-imide, polyetheretherketone, polysulfone or polyphenylene sulfide.
- 12. (original) The resistance temperature detector of claim 10, wherein the adhesive is selected from the group consisting of acrylic, epoxy, silicone, polyester, and polyurethane adhesive systems.

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